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NEXT MEETING: <u>May 10, 6:30PM</u> Gonzalo Ruiz-Navarro: RAL Juried Show Walkthrough

Message from the President, Patrick Sieg

Dear Rockville Art League members,

Why do artists create art?

I got some lucky news earlier this month, that one of my paintings sold.

Good for me and the key word in the last sentence is not "sold," but rather "lucky."

I shared news of this happy transaction with several artist friends and they offered me their sincere congratulations, a few seemed surprised (the sale or that I sold?) and a few of them mentioned that they wish they could sell their work more often.

(I wonder if my car mechanic ever boasted to his mechanic friends that he had fixed some brakes and the car owner even paid him.)

So if selling a painting is the litmus test for being an artist, then commerce must be the reason we artists create, right?

Because this is the 21st century and since I have a computer, I Googled the question "why do artists create art?" and I reviewed the search results. The reasons most often listed include:

- To evoke emotions and feelings
- To tell a story
- To bring attention and comment on society
- To make people think
- To capture beauty
- To bring happiness
- Because it makes us "human"

I never once saw "to make money" or "build inventory for art sales" as reasons.



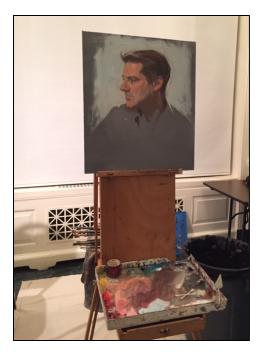
Would you still create even if you knew in advance that your art will not sell?

Please don't get me wrong...selling your work is enviable and the support and validation from your customers is wanted and appreciated. And I don't recommend giving your work away (except in certain circumstances that may be the basis for another month's President's message).

But if your main reason for creating is commerce, then I'm sorry.

If I am lucky enough to sell another painting, then I will probably not mention that it sold. But I may report when I have completed a painting and or that it will be in an upcoming show. And if I'm in a particularly sharing mood, then I will say why I enjoyed the creative experience and how it was unique for that work. If, in my opinion, it is a beautiful work, then I will enter it in the Rockville Art League Members' Art Show.





A few other things about art and commerce:

- Did the cave painters in prehistoric times have commerce in mind? Perhaps their work was guaranteed for 10,000+ years but moving the painting would void the warranty.
- Selling to a friend or acquaintance is great and desirable. There is no added lift when a sale is to a "stranger." Your friends are not obligated to buy your work, just think of how many of them haven't, and most are still friends. They want your painting because it is great and they like it.
- I believe we, as artists, should support the work of our fellow artists. I also think that we should be active members of the Rockville Art League and enter the members' art show.
- Art makes great gifts

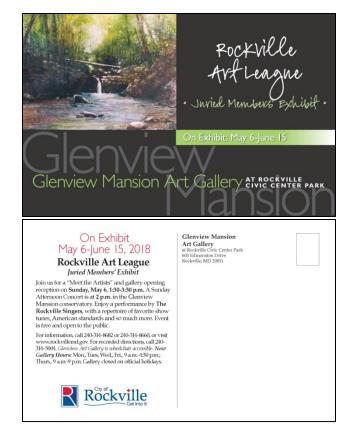
We had another terrific speaker in our April meeting. Gavin Glakas showed us that it is possible to create a beautiful painting/portrait in 90 minutes. Board member Eric Goss was a perfect model and Gavin may try to hire him in the future. Our spring 2018 juried art show is upon us. There are more details later in the newsletter including a new art registration process that is online. And there are many volunteer opportunities and I hope you can help. The art drop off date is Monday, April 30 at the Glenview Mansion. The walk-though with judge Gonzalo Ruiz-Navarro will be on Thursday, May 10, and awards will be presented during the walk-through.



The mansion is undergoing renovations beginning in August 2018 and the facility will be closed through January 2019. Our September, October and November meeting will be hosted at the Artist and Makers Studio 2 on Wilkins Avenue in Rockville. Please stay tuned for more details as we get closer.

Thank you for being a RAL member and for being a creative person.

Patrick Sieg President



RAL Juried Members' May Show

GLENVIEW MANSION May 6 - June 15, 2018

New for Spring Show: Here is the **online registration** form for the RAL Juried Members' Spring Show

2018. <u>https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIp</u> QLSeccyYTAA3wYZNrqKorOxH9XsEAAP2 XIQmi_CJF6bsqHSaccA/viewform

YOU MAY REGISTER YOUR WORK ONLINE UNTIL THURSDAY, APRIL 26 BY 6:00 PM. FOR MEMBERS THAT HAVE PRE-REGISTERED THEIR WORK ONLINE, WE WILL SUPPLY THE PRINTED LABELING TO ATTACH TO YOUR ARTWORK. AFTER THAT DATE, YOU WILL NEED TO SUBMIT YOUR WORK BY FILLING OUT THE TRADITIONAL ENTRY FORM FOUND IN THIS NEWSLETTER

ENTITLED "2018 RAL MEMBERS SHOW AGREEMENT."

PLEASE NOTE: ALL MEMBERS SUBMITTING WORK WILL BE REQUIRED TO FILL OUT AND SIGN THE "SHOW AGREEMENT" PORTION OF THE FORM. Judge: Gonzalo Ruiz Navarro is an awardwinning artist from Spain, whose oils and pastels are infused by passion for light and color, following the tradition of the impressionists. Gonzalo's love for tradition meets with exquisite use of color, freedom of composition and expressiveness of strokes. He has been featured in media such as the New York Times and Fine Art Views, where he has been described as "A master at evoking a mood and a sense of time and place". Gonzalo holds a Master's in Fine Arts from the University of Valencia, Spain, and has been working as an art instructor for more than 22 years. Currently based in Washington DC, Gonzalo is one of the most popular art instructors in the area, teaching oils, pastels and drawing at the Yellow Barn Studio in Glen Echo, MD.

Gonzalo Ruiz Navarro will conduct a gallery walk-through on **Thursday**, **May 10**, at 6:45 pm. Light refreshments served at 6:15. **Awards** at 6:30 pm.

Eligibility and rules: The following rules apply for all works entered. Each member *in good standing* may enter <u>two works</u>. The show fee is \$5. The maximum length of any framed side is 60 inches. Only **original** works securely framed with hanging wire are acceptable. The entries must have been completed within the last two years and may not have been exhibited previously in a RAL Member Show. No reproductions, no giclées and no wet canvases are allowed. A work having multiple framed parts must meet the two works per member criteria. Entries not meeting the show conditions will not be accepted. RAL retains the right to determine suitability of work for entry in this show. The artist's signature on the Show Agreement also constitutes a commitment to donate 20% of the sale price to the City of Rockville for works sold during the show. **Categories:**

- Oils and acrylics
- Watercolors
- Pastels, drawings, and hand pulled prints
- Mixed media, collage, experimental, and original computer-generated art
- Photographs
- Sculpture and ceramics

Awards:

- Best in Show (cash prize)
- First, Second and Third in all categories (cash prizes)
- Honorable Mention at the judge's discretion

Delivery: MONDAY, APRIL 30, 11:30 am-1:30 pm and 5:00 -7:00 pm register and deliver your work to the second floor Glenview Mansion Art Gallery, Rockville Civic Center, 603 Edmonston Dr., Rockville. On Tuesday, May 1, please phone the pickup hotline after 2 PM, 240-314-8682, to see if your work was juried into the show. If your number is listed, then you or your designee *must* pick up your work on <u>Tuesday, May 1</u>, 3:00-5:00 pm or <u>Wednesday, May 2</u>, 11:30 am -1:00 pm. Reception: Sunday, May 6, from <u>1:30-3:30 PM</u>. Light refreshments.

Gallery Walk Through with Judge: <u>Thursday</u>, <u>May 10</u>. Light refreshments, 6:15 pm and <u>AWARDS</u> at 6:30pm, Walk-through at 6:45 pm. (Note: this in in place of the May meeting.)

Final Pick Up: Monday, June 18, 11:30 am – 1:30 PM and 5:00-6.30 pm. You or your designee must pick up your work. Any work

left after Monday 6:30 pm will not be insured. There is no storage available.

Sales: The Glenview Mansion staff will manage art sales. The artist's signature on the **Show Agreement** also constitutes a commitment to donate 20% of the sale price to the City of Rockville for works sold during the show.

We need volunteers to help register, move, hang, label and release entries. Please check your schedules and sign up online on Sign-up Genius.

http://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090c49a5ac2 3abfd0-raljuried1

It takes a village and we hope you'll be part of ours! (The \$5 entry fee will be waived if you volunteer for the show.)

<u>Monday, April 30</u>– Delivery of work and Registration:

- 11:30 am -1:30 pm
- 5:00-7:00 pm

Tuesday, May 1 – Pick up of *unaccepted* works:

• 3:00-5:00 pm

Wednesday, May 2 -

- Pick-up of unaccepted work: 11:30 am-1:00 pm
- Hanging/Labeling:
 - o 9:30 am-12 Noon
 - o 1:00-4:00 pm

Thursday, May 3- Final details and tagging

• 9:30-11:30 am

<u>Sunday, May 6</u> - Reception set up, oversee the tables, and clean up:

• 1:00 – 3:30 pm

Monday, June 18 - Final Pick-up:

- 11:30 am -1:30 pm
- 5:00-6:30 pm

When signing up, please indicate the time you can help. Can't stay the whole time? Any amount of time you can work is appreciated. All slots filled and you want to volunteer or need help signing up? Please contact Lisa Sieg. (If hanging, please bring a pair of needle nose pliers and gloves.) We need you to help make the Members' Show a successful one. Please check your calendar and sign up!

Questions regarding the show? Please contact: Lisa Sieg: <u>jshows@rockvilleartleague.org</u> Patrick Sieg: <u>president@rockvilleartleague.org</u>



2018 RAL Members Sh	now Agreement Ref #
original works, and that I will not hold Rockville responsible for any possible	ented in this announcement, that my entries are my RAL or The Glenview Mansion or City of loss or damage to my entries while on the property. ill be taken in handling entries. I give RAL and publish them as appropriate.
Please print legibly so the information	on is easily and accurately read. Thanks!
Printed Name	Date
Signature	Phone
Address	
E-Mail	
	g the following work(s):
Work 1: Title	
Medium	Price \$
Work 2: Title	
Medium	Price \$

ROCKVILLE ART LEAGUE



CALENDAR

Show: REF#______ May 6 - June 15, 2018

Delivery of works: Monday, April. 30, 11:30AM – 1:30PM and 5:00-7:00PM

Hotline for unaccepted list: Tuesday, May 1, <u>after 2:00PM</u> 240-314-8682

Pickup of unaccepted works: Tuesday, May 1, 3:00-5:00PM Wednesday, May 2, 11:30AM-1:00PM

Opening Reception: Sunday, May 6, 1:30 - 3:30 PM

Judge's Gallery Walk Through Thursday, May 10, 6:15PM, <u>AWARDS</u> 6:30PM

Final Pickup: Monday, June 18, 11:30AM-1:30PM and 5:00-6:30PM

Attach one 2-column form (below) to each entry: (Please note: a REF# will be given to you at registration.) Tape form to the back upper right corner of each work. The left side will be cut off and used to compile the program.

	CUT ALON	G THIS DOTTED LINE	
	this form and tape to back upper right		TAPE HERE→
<u>WORK 1:</u>	REF #		REF #
ARTIST		ARTIST	
TITLE		TITLE	
MEDIUM		MEDIUM	
PRICE \$		PRICE \$	
PHONE	EMAIL	PHONE	EMAIL
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Attach tape to right side of	this form and tape to back upper right	corner of your work.	TAPE HERE→
<u>WORK 2:</u>	REF #		REF #
ARTIST		ARTIST	
TITLE		TITLE	
MEDIUM		MEDIUM	
PRICE \$		PRICE \$	
PHONE	EMAIL	PHONE	EMAIL



Don your favorite topper for the...

First Annual Mad Hatter's Tea Party/Brunch!

featuring bubbly prosecco punch, tea* (of course!), lovely sandwiches, scones, pastries, and prizes. Hats and costumes encouraged, ages 21+ only.

\$20 ticket – all proceeds go directly to City of Rockville Arts Programs

Sunday, April 22, 11:30am-1:30 pm Glenview Mansion 603 Edmonston Dr Rockville MD 20851

*No shrinkage will occur due to tea consumption.

Wanted and needed: caricaturists or anyone able to draw quick sketches of people on Saturday, May 5, from 11am-2pm at Johns Hopkins in Rockville for "The Tree House Tour de Cookie." This annual charity event is a popular and delicious biking fund raiser that raises awareness and support for The Tree House Child Advocacy Center of Montgomery County MD. Bikers choose between a 12, 27 or 43 mile-ride, trekking from one cookie stand to another and everyone starts and ends up at Johns Hopkins in Rockville.

Face painters also needed. Interested artists (and **student artists** too – can earn SSL hours) please contact:

Nina Blecher Director of Community Partnerships The Tree House CAC <u>tourdecookie@treehousemd.org</u> 240-777-4699 <u>www.treehousetourdecookie.com</u>

MEMBER NEWS



Saturday, April 21, 1-4pm Celebrate Spring! Stop by Auger Artwork Studios for first dibs on original paintings by offbeat artist Michael Auger. Hors d'oeuvres will be provided in the new renovated kitchen!

<u>Auger Artwork Studios</u> 1506 Baylor Avenue Rockville, MD 20850



Paintings by Sabiha Iqbal



Glenview Mansion Art Gallery On Exhibit: March 25—April 28, 2018



Mark your calendars! **Liliane Blom** will have a solo sound and light video installation show at Dupont Underground. Opening June 29th, music, reception and artist talk! Details to follow.

https://www.lilianeblom.com/events/openingreception-and-concert-at-dupont-underground

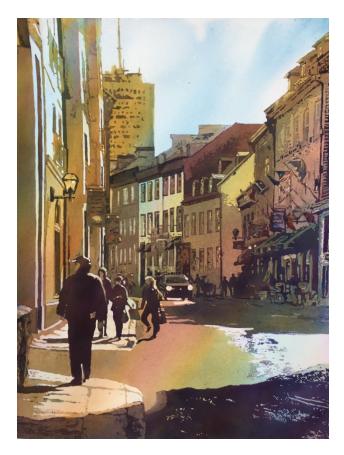


"Architectural Explorations" Exhibit of paintings by **Chris Luckman** Artists & Makers II, Merge Gallery 12276 Wilkins Ave., Rockville, MD, 20852 June 1 - 27, 2018 /Reception: Fri., June 1, 6 - 9 Gallery Hours: Monday - Saturday, 10 - 4





Patricia Zannie's, "September Splendor," has been accepted into the Annual Garrett Park Juried Invitational Show, and will be on display at the Penn Place Gallery in Garrett Park from March 25 thru April 22, 2018. Please join Pat for the Opening reception at the Penn Place Gallery, 4600 Waverly Avenue, Garrett Park, MD on Sunday, March 25, from 3-5 p.m. catered by Black Market Bistro.



Gallery 209's April Show features contemporary paintings and sculptures by 22 member artists in their new third floor gallery, with an opening reception Friday, April 6 from 6 to 9 pm and running through May 1.

Abstract to representational art is on view, including work by **Angela Lacey** with her striking cityscape watercolors, along with over 100 works by other artist-members.

Regular viewing days are Tuesdays through Sundays, noon to 4 pm. Free parking is in the rear.

Located in the Artists and Makers Studios 2, at 12274 Wilkins Ave., Rockville MD. Gallery 209 is a part of the extensive art community of over 150 artists with many working studios and galleries. For information call <u>301-622-0546</u> or Contact: <u>Artists@Gallery209Art.com</u>. Visit: <u>Gallery209.art.com</u>.

Upcoming Workshop at the Compass Atelier

TINA GARRETT will run a 3-day workshop on *Starting Methods* for painting the figure on April 27-29. Students will work from the live model with Tina guiding them through 3 different techniques to master this daunting subject.



Information on all of these and other great programming can be found at <u>www.TheCompassAtelier.com</u>.

Kritt Studio Classes

Mix the Perfect Color Workshop Saturday, April 21 from 10 - 3

Painting a Still Life classes start Monday, May 7 daytime and evening

Drawing the City classes start Tuesday, May 8 daytime and evening

Advanced Groups and Private Lessons For more info: call Penny at 301/989-1799



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GLENVIEW MANSION CONFERENCE ROOM SHOWS

You can show your artwork in Glenview Mansion for one month if you have received a 1st, 2nd, 3rd or honorable mention award in an RAL juried show. Artists may have both rooms to exhibit in if a second artist doesn't sign up for the same month within two months of the show's start date. The receptions at Glenview mansion are 1:30-3:30 PM on the Sunday after hanging. Preferred drop off and pick up times for Glenview Shows are from 9 am to 12 noon. Drop off/pickups are Mondays (unless a holiday). If you are unavailable on the date for pickup, please arrange for someone to pick up for you. There is no room to store your artwork at the Mansion. If you are unable to drop off/pick up on the assigned dates and you can't find someone else to drop off/pick up for you, please choose a month in which you can make those dates.

For artwork delivery, please unwrap your work and take the wrappings with you. Please bring pliers (needle nose are easy to work with). You may use the hand truck that is at the Mansion to move your artwork from your vehicle. There is no staff at the mansion available to help you move your artwork into the conference rooms. You are responsible for hanging your own artwork, with help from the Mansion staff. If you don't have labels for your work, please fill out the RAL cards that will be available. If you print your own, print them on card stock. Do not use the sticky Avery labels, unless you adhere them to foam core or card stock. **Contact Diane Jeang, Glenview Member Show Coordinator, (301) 871-1589 or swinedoc@yahoo.com_with questions.** If you need to contact Julie Farrell, please send an email tojfarrell@rockvillemd.gov.

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	Glenview Mansion Schedule				
2017					
	Member(s)	Mon &/or Tues	Sunday Gallery	Monday Pick-up	
		Deliver 12-2&5-7	Opening 1:30-3:30	Before 11 am	
DEC	RAL Winter Show	Nov. 27	Dec. 3	Jan. 2	
2018					
	Member(s)	Drop-Off	Sunday Gallery Opening 1:30-3:30	Pick-up	
MAY/JUNE	RAL Spring Show	Mon. Apr. 30 12-2 pm, 5-7 pm	May 6	Mon. June 18 12-2 pm, 5-7 pm	
JUNE/JULY	Harriet Gordon/Norda Kittrie	Mon June 18 9-11 am	June 24	Mon. July 30 9-11 am	
AUG/SEPT	Board Member's Show	Mon. July 30 12 – 4:30 pm	Aug. 5	Mon. Sept. 10 9-11 am	
SEPT/DEC	Closed	-	-	-	
2019					
	Member(s)	Mon &/or Tues Deliver 12-2&5-7	Sunday Gallery Opening 1:30-3:30	Monday Pick-up Before 11 am	
JAN/FEB	Closed	-	-	-	
FEB/MAR	Student Art Show				
MAR/APR	Joanie Grosfield/ Teresa Hull				
MAY/JUNE	RAL Spring Show				
JUNE/JULY					

Monday delivery and hanging: 12PM–2PM & 5-7PM/ Sunday Gallery Opening: 1:30—3:30PM Monday Pick up: before 11AM

AUG/SEPT	Board Members Show		
SEPT/OCT	Nighat Ahmed		
OCT/NOV	Cathy McDermott/		
	Susan Dunnell		
DEC	RAL Winter Show		
JAN/FEB			
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JUNE/JULY			
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OCT/NOV	Stephanie		
	Gustavson/		
	Sue Moses		
DEC	RAL Winter Show		

For additional information for members hanging in the conference rooms, please refer to the RAL web page: <u>http://www.rockvilleartleague.org/glenview.pdf</u>

At least one platter of finger foods (cookies, crackers/cheese, veggies/dip) should be supplied by the RAL artist on the day of the opening reception. Cups/napkins/water are provided by the City of Rockville for opening receptions. The Mansion will be open at 1 pm for the artist on the day of the opening reception.



RAL ONGOING SHOW LIST

Twinbrook Library - 202 Meadow Hall Drive, Rockville, Maryland

Shows for the library will run from 1st of month to end of month for 1 month shows. 5 medium to large paintings, Contact person: Christine Lundy, 240-777-0252 Christine.lundy@montgomerycountymd.gov

<u>Name</u> Nighat Ahmed	<u>From</u> Feb. 1, 2018	<u>To</u> Mar. 1, 2018		
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Thomas Farm Community Center – 700 Fallsgrove Drive, Rockville, Maryland				
12-16 medium to large paintings, Contact person: M	lartha Coester (240)) 314-8842		
<u>Name</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>		
Lieta Gerson	Apr. 15, 2018	July 15, 2018		
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Marilyn J. Praisner Library – 14910 Old Columbia Road, Burtonsville, Maryland10 small to medium or 5-6 large paintings (10 hanging chains), Contact person: (240)773-9455 Vera RamatyNameFromTo

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<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
Feb. 15, 2017	Apr. 15, 2018

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